

REMARKS

INTRODUCTION

In accordance with the foregoing, no claims have been amended. Claim 19 has been added. Claims 1-19 are pending in the application.

NEW CLAIM

New claim 19 has been added to present an alternate recitation of the present invention. It is respectfully submitted that claim 19 patentably distinguishes over the prior art.

CONCLUSION

There being no further outstanding objections or rejections, it is submitted that the application is in condition for allowance. An early action to that effect is courteously solicited.

Finally, if there are any formal matters remaining after this response, the Examiner is requested to telephone the undersigned to attend to these matters.

If there are any additional fees associated with filing of this Amendment, please charge the same to our Deposit Account No. 19-3935.

Respectfully submitted,

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